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SHADOW

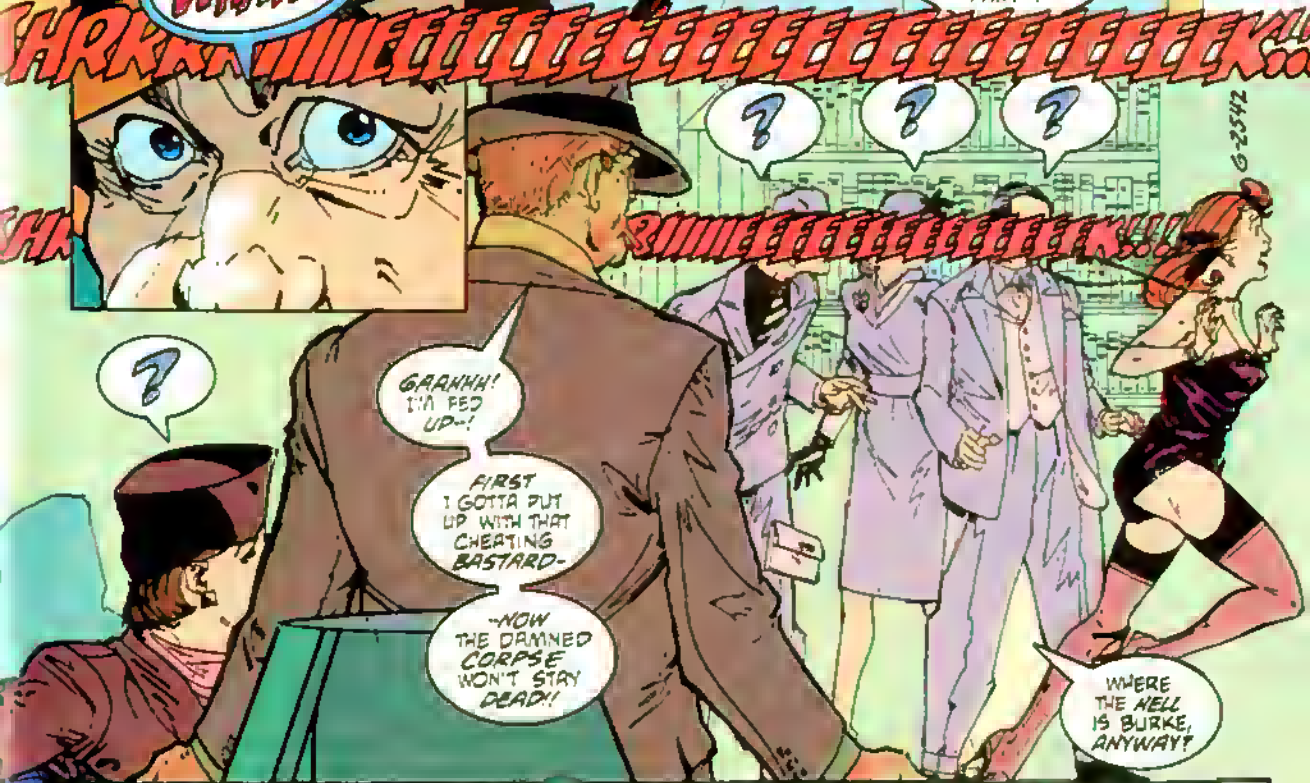
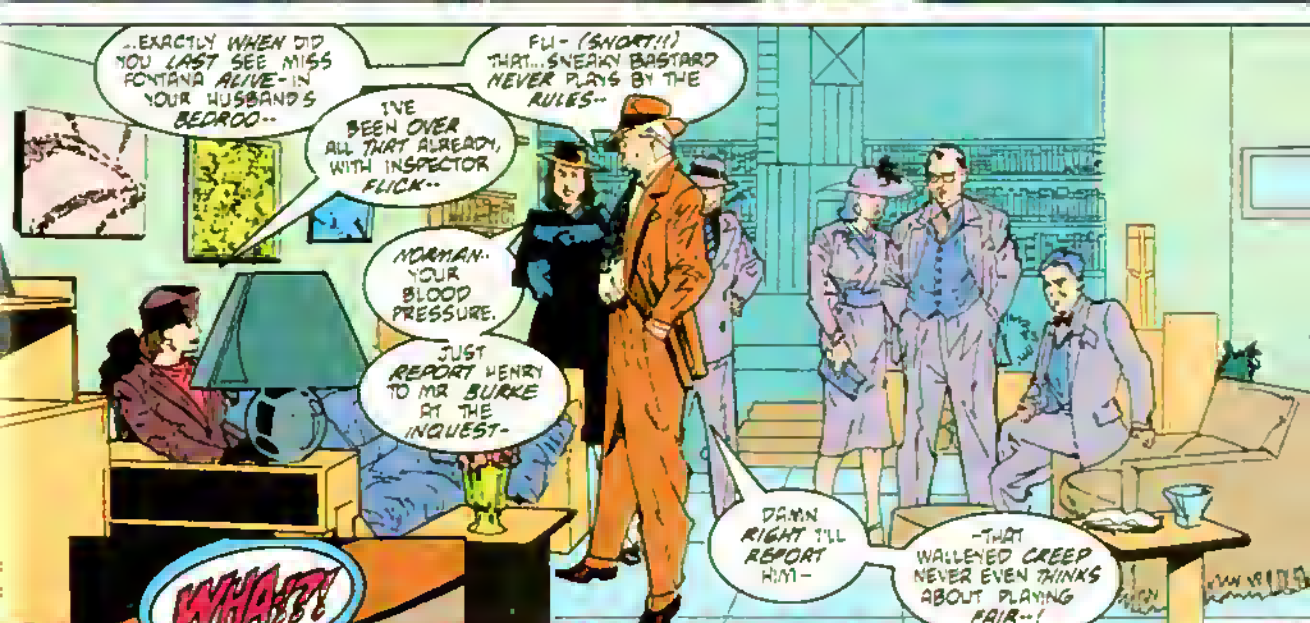
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FIRST OF FOUR ISSUES

FOR MATURE
READERS



HE'S BACK ...
AND GOD HELP THE GUILTY



THE SHADOW

RETURNS IN...



HE WAS IN THE PARLOR, WITH THE BODY.

HOW, NORMAN- YOU CALM DOWN-

CALM DOWN?! I'LL GIVE YOU 'CALM DOWN'!

I PAID THROUGH THE ROOF FOR THIS WEEKEND-

-AND IT'S BEEN ONE SCREW-UP AFTER ANOTHER-

-BIG-TIME MYSTERY WRITER!

I'M GONNA GIVE THAT CROOKED LITTLE FEEB A PIECE OF MY-

URGH!

MYUGGH!

BLEAGH!

HELLO- HELLO?! POLICE-? YES-I WANT TO REPORT A MURDER-

MURDER in MALIBU
A WEEKEND OF MYSTERY, MALICE, and MAYHEM HOSTED BY
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BEST-SELLING AUTHOR OF
MAKE NINE MURDER
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BLOOD & JUDGMENT

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I STILL
DON'T SEE WHY
WE HAD TO WALK
OUT, HSU-TEI--
IT--

ENGLISH!

IT'S
VERY SIMPLE,
CHING YAO
CHANG--

--BY
WALKING OUT,
WE TAKE THE
LEAST CHANCE
OF DETECTION--
BY FRIEND OR
FOE--

--SECOND
AND MOST
IMPORTANT--

--YING KO
THINKS YOUR
BACKSIDE IS
GETTING A TOUCH
TOO BROAD FOR
SO FIERCE A
WARRI--

HA--!

GENTLEMEN--

--THOUGH
: APPLAUD
YOUR EFFORTS
AT PRACTICING
COLLOQUIAL
ENGLISH--

--INSTEAD OF
WASTING BREATH ON
BICKERING--

--WHY NOT
TURN AROUND AND
TAKE A FINAL
LOOK--

--WE MAY
NOT BE HOME
AGAIN FOR
QUITE SOME
TIME--

TELL
ME, YING
KO--

--ON
DOES KALAPA
COMPARE TO
OTHER CITIES
YOU HAVE
KNOWN--?

IN
TERMS OF
MYSTIC PEACE
AND TRANQUILITY,
IT IS SECOND
TO NONE--

HOWEVER,
I THINK YOU'LL
FIND NEW YORK
HAS A CERTAIN
CHARM OF ITS
OWN.



WRONG.
IT'S ATOMIC
SEX
VAMPIRES.

WHY
NOT JUST
CUT
'IM?

'CAUSE
WE CUT THE
LAST ONE-AND
I'VE NEVER DONE
IT THIS WAY
BEFORE-

-GIMME
YOUR
LIGHTER-

WHAT
ABOUT THE
LIGHTER
FLU-

I'M
JUST MAKIN'
SURE IT'S
THE RIGHT
GUY-

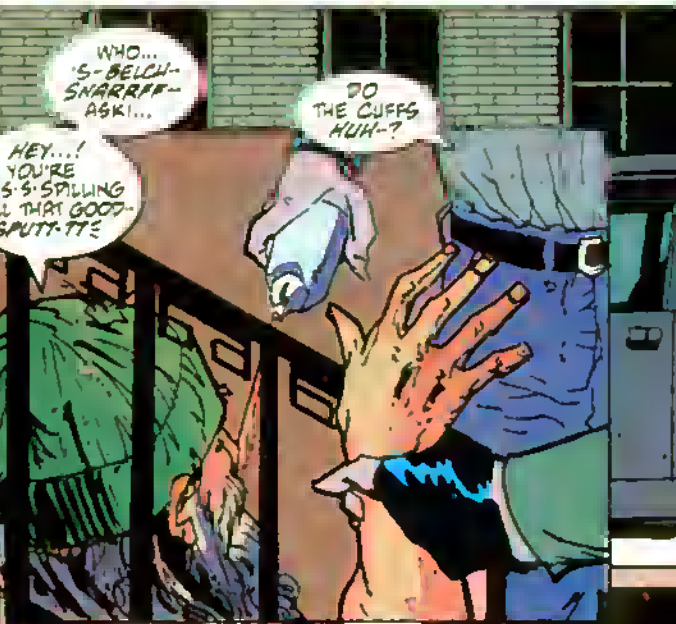
-MEMBER
HOW I PASSED
OFF MR MAYROCK
WAS WHEN DION
DUSTED THE WRONG
CHINK?

JUST
ASK 'IM-HEY-
YOU-YOUR NAME-
UH-HAWKEYE?

WHO...
'S-BELCH-
SNARF-
ASKI...

HEY...!
YOU'RE
S-S-S-SPELLING
ALL THAT GOOD-
S-S-PUTT-TTE

DO
THE CUFFS
HUH-?



HOW COME
HE GOTTA CUFF
'IM?

YOU WANT
HIM COMIN'
AFTER
US-?

HEY-
MY U-HANDS
S-S-STUCK-

GOT
A CIGA-

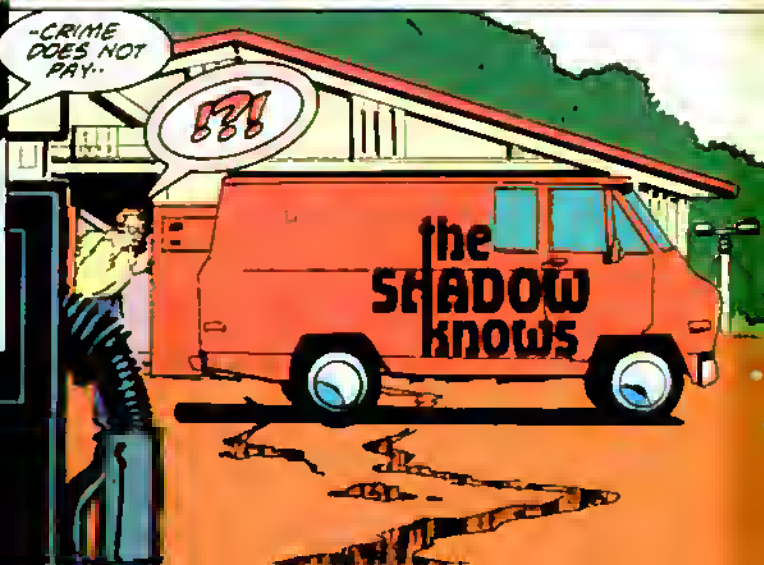
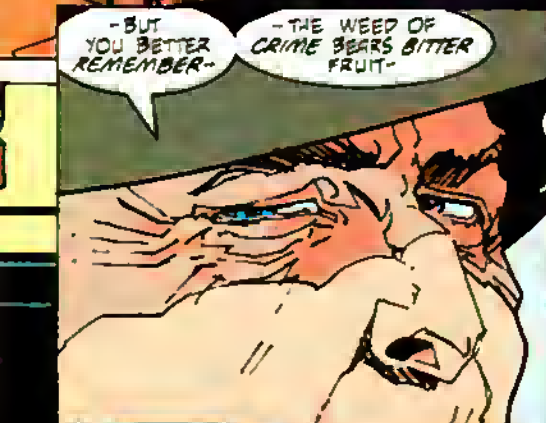
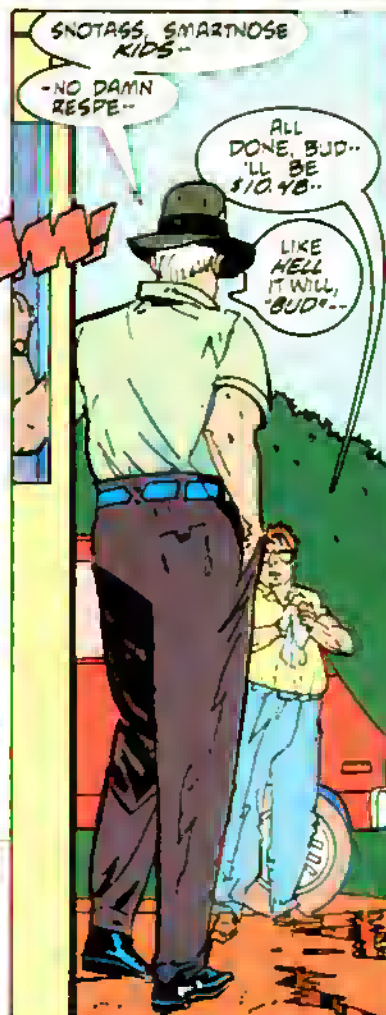


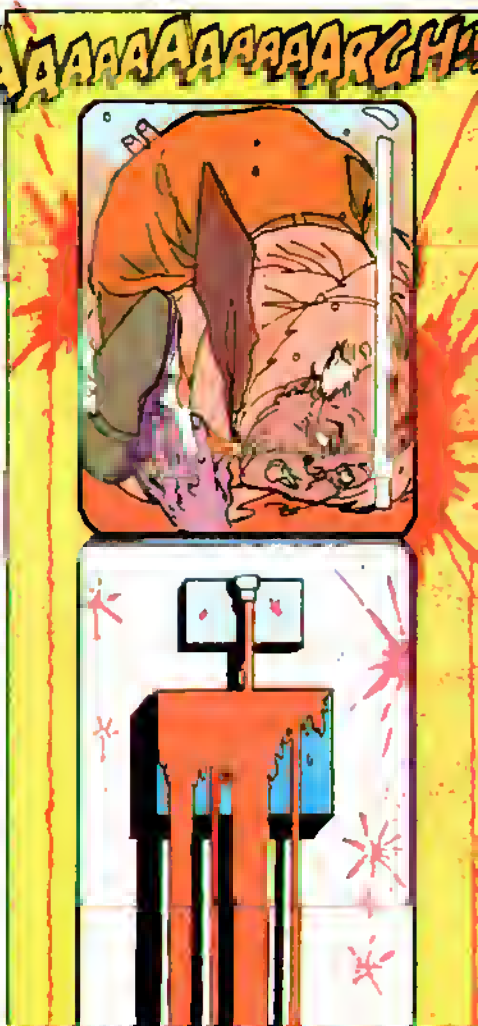
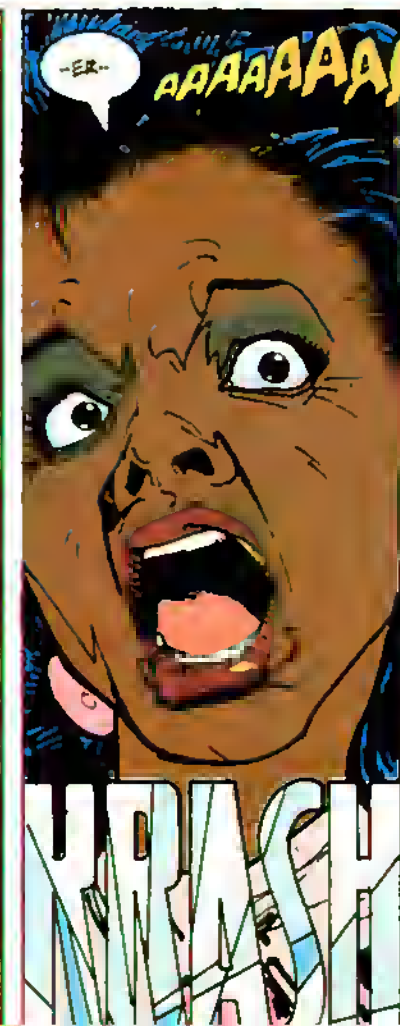
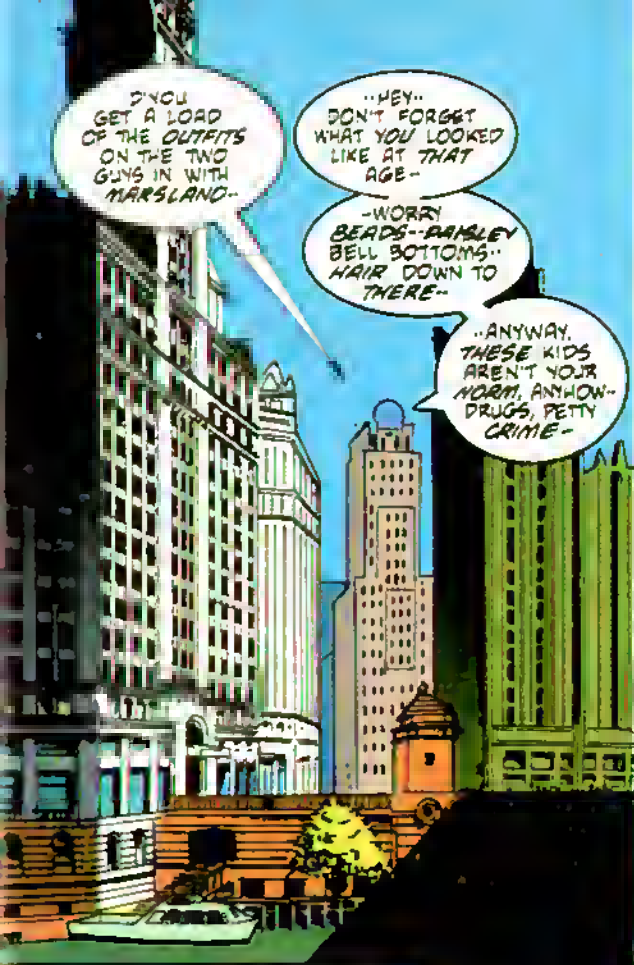
AAAAAAGH!

NOW-
LIKE I WAS
SAYING-

NOBODY'S
EVEN CLOSE
TO ATOMIC SEX
VAMPIRES-
NOBODY-







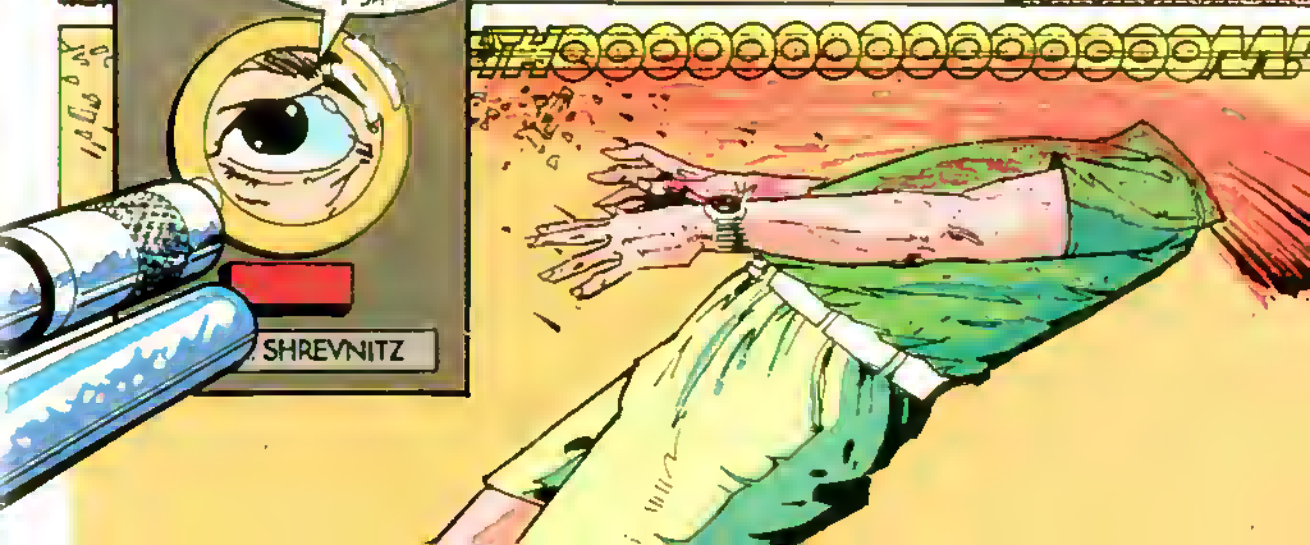
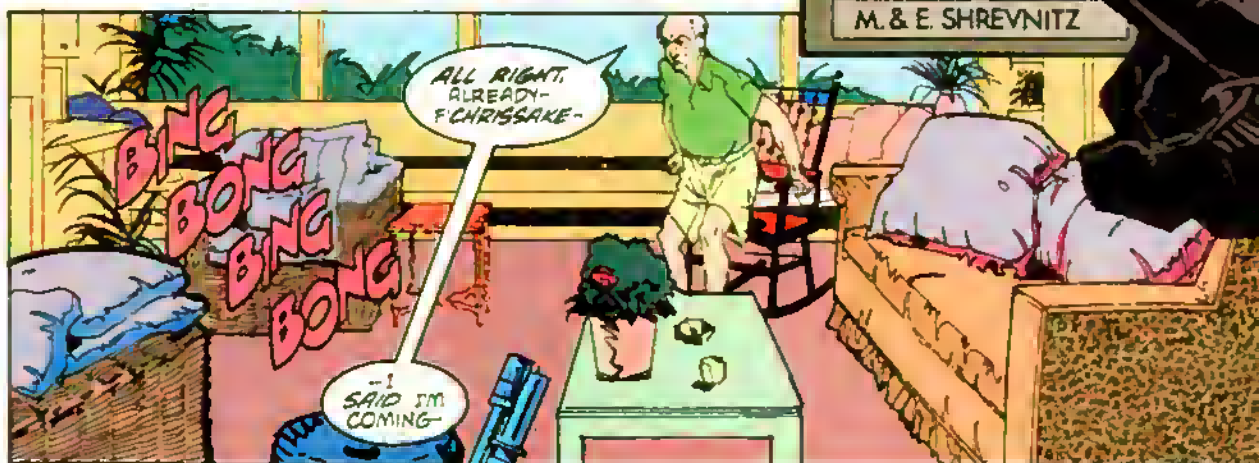
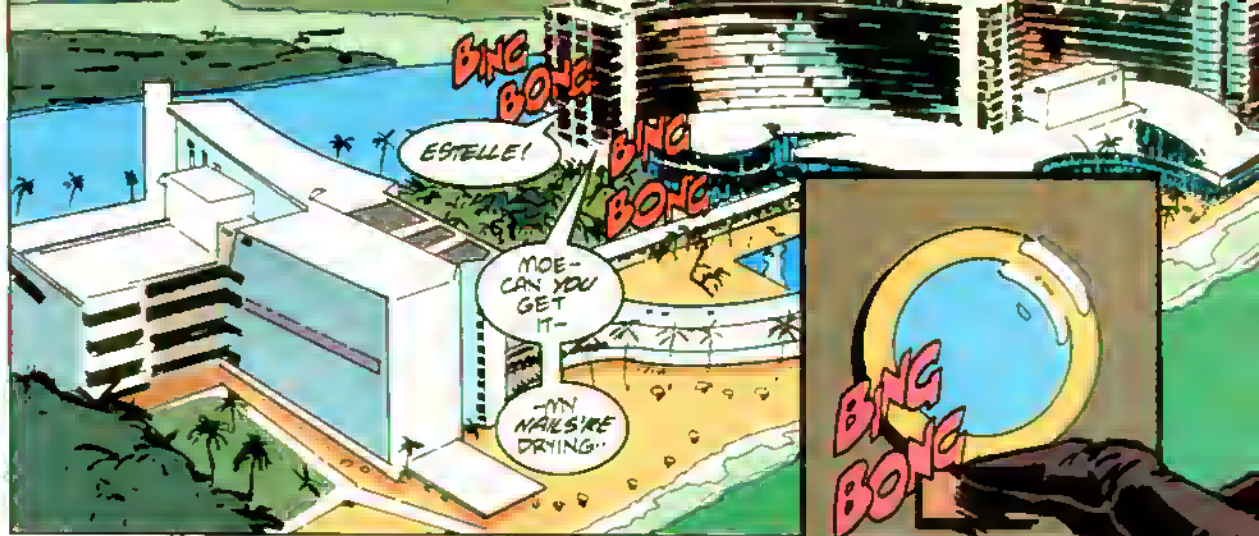


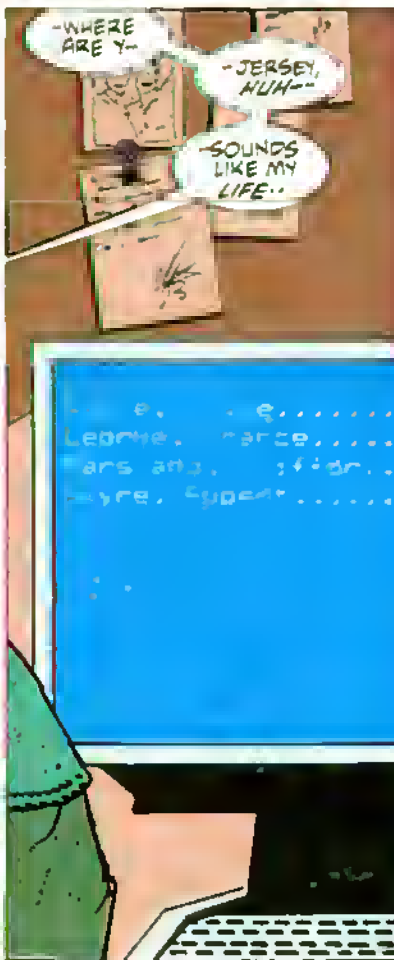
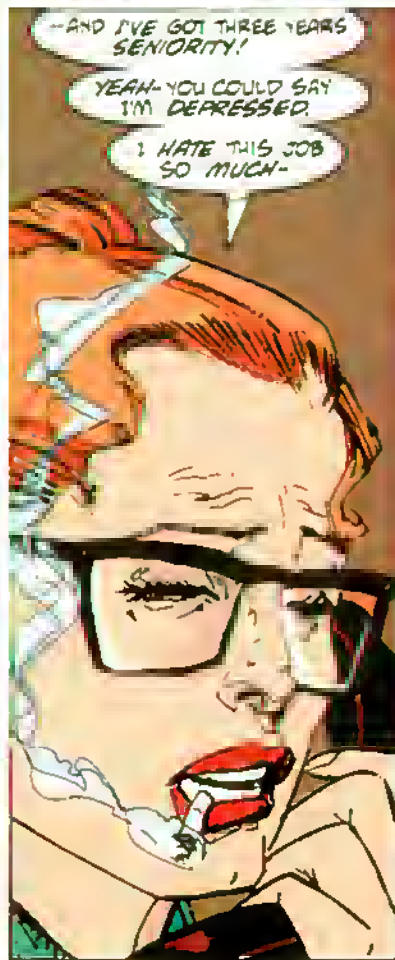
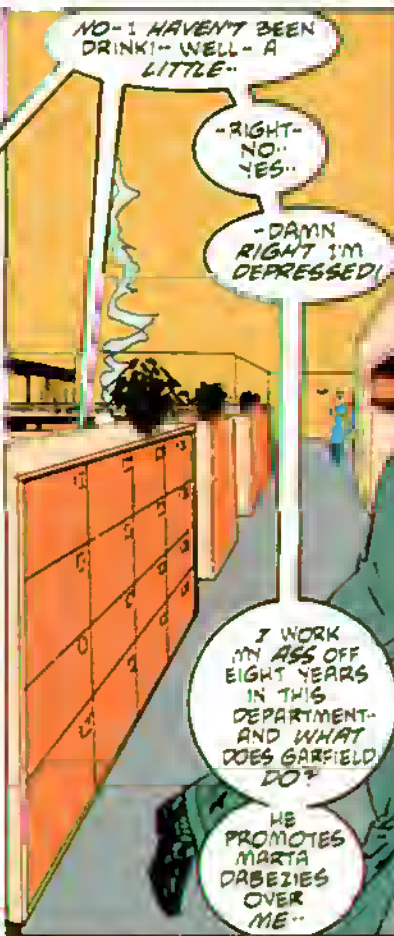
JUNIOR'S
THE BEST
STEPSON A
MOTHER
EVER
HAD-

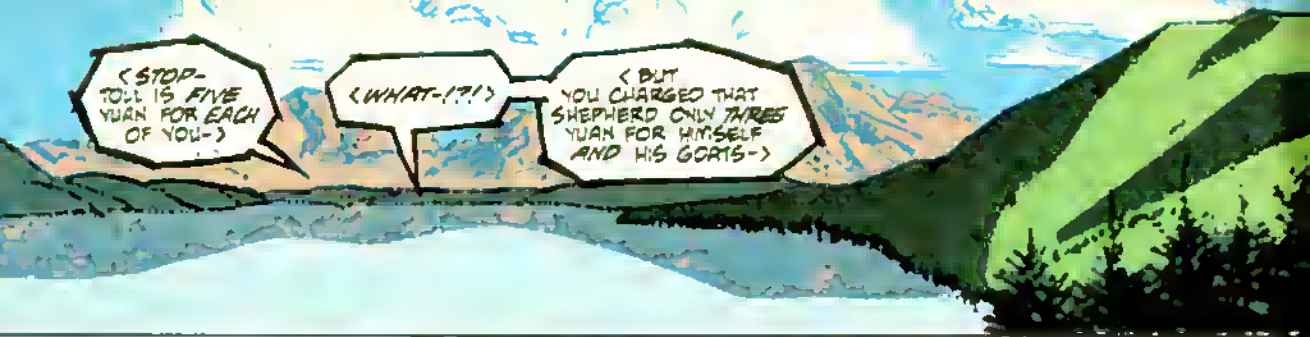
-TOOK
ME 25 YEARS
AND 35
MILLION-

-TO
BREED
HIM-









<STOP-
TOLL IS FIVE
YUAN FOR EACH
OF YOU->

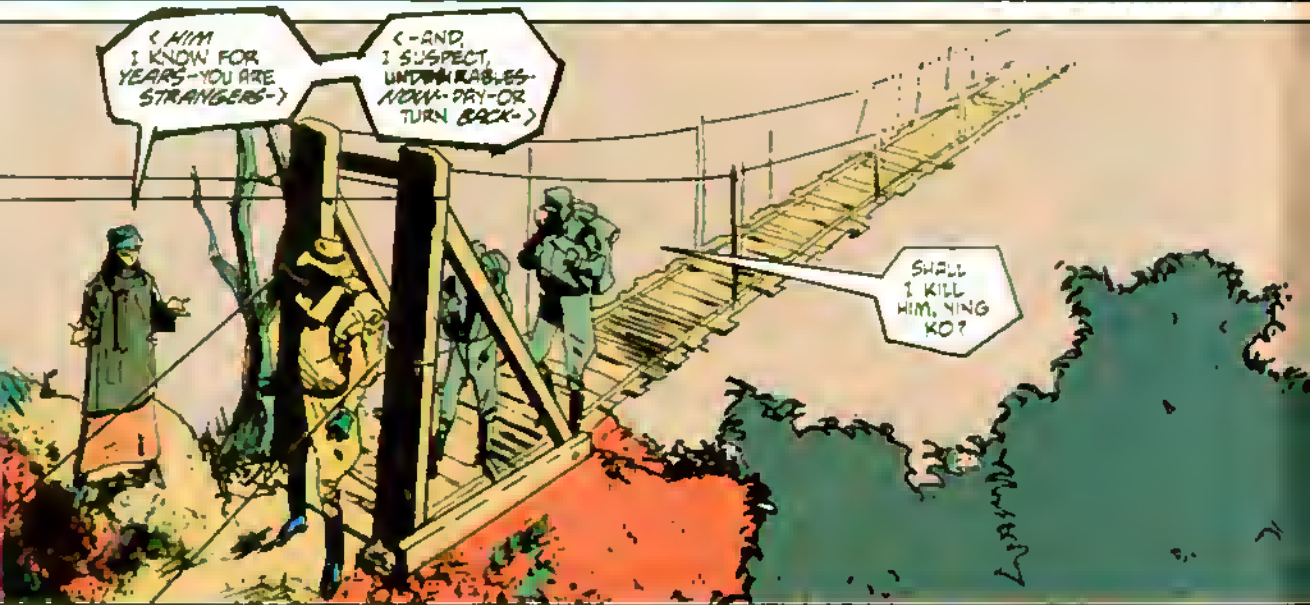
<WHAT-?!!>

<BUT
YOU CHARGED THAT
SHEPHERD ONLY THREE
YUAN FOR HIMSELF
AND HIS GOATS->

<HIM
I KNOW FOR
YEARS-YOU ARE
STRANGERS->

<-AND
I SUSPECT,
UNDEARABLES-
NOW-DAY-OR
TURN BACK->

SHALL
I KILL
HIM, YING
KO?



HARDLY
CHING YAO
CHANG-

-ALLOW
ME-

<-WILL
THIS IN ANY
WAY LOWER THE
TOLL?>



<THE SIGN OF CHOW
LEE->

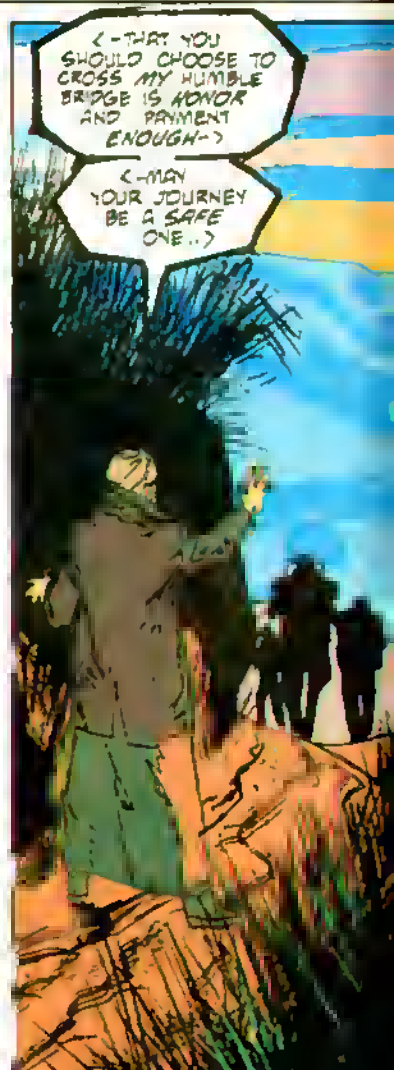
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YOUR PARDON->

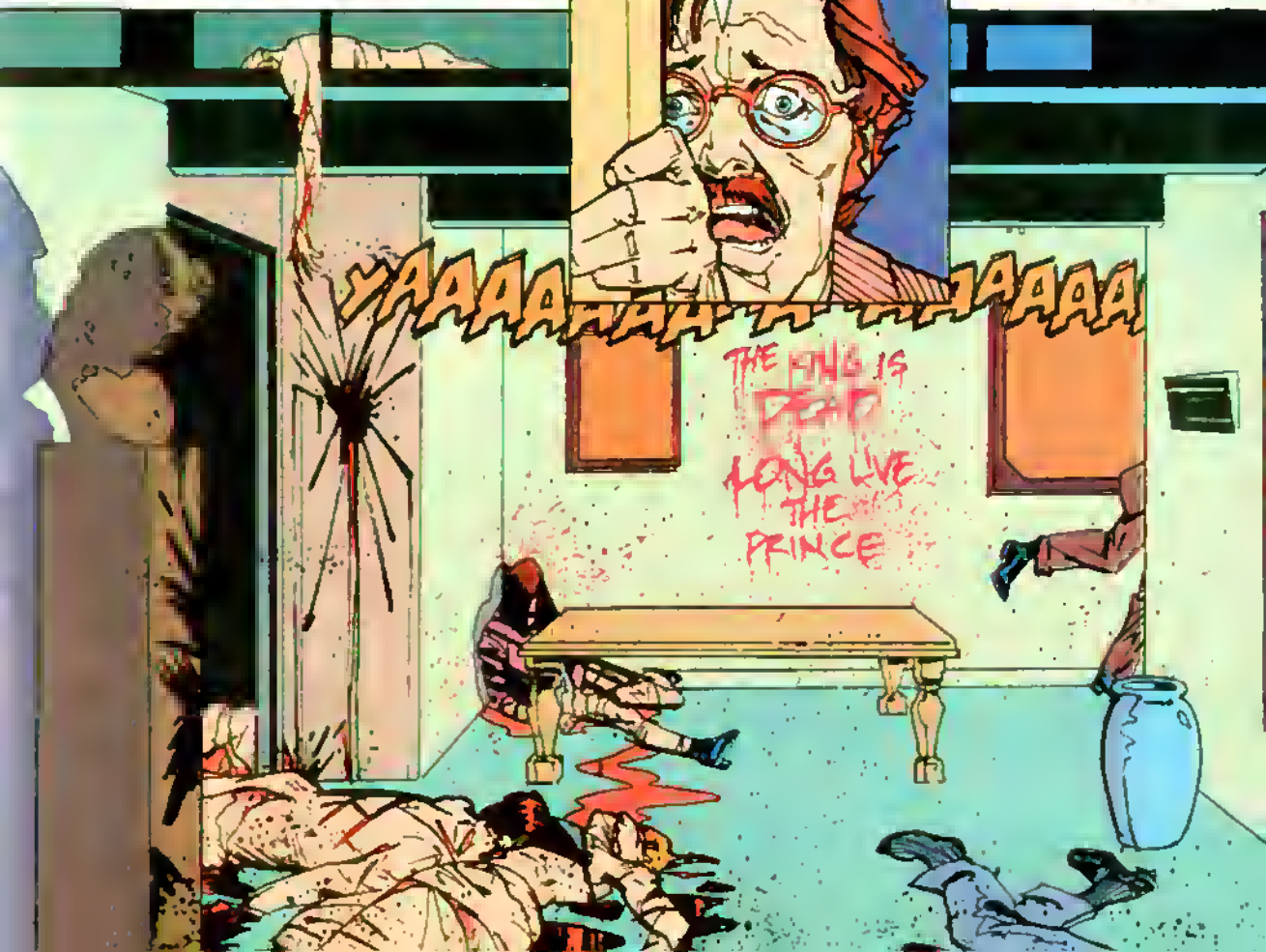
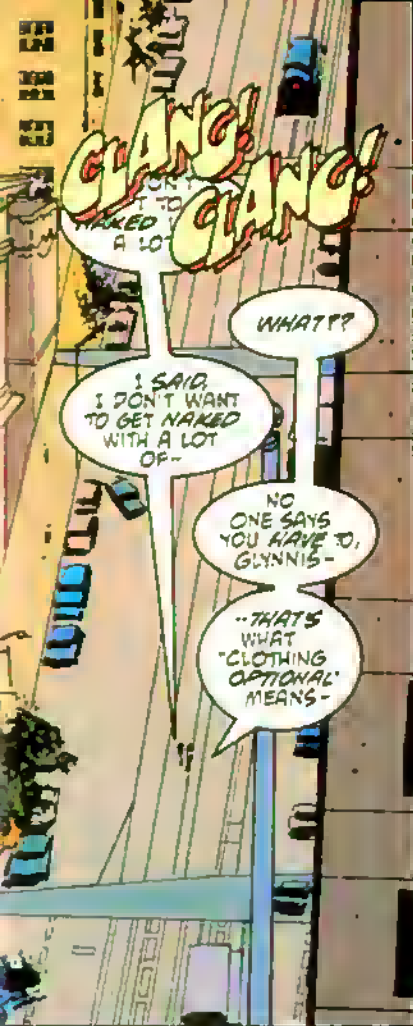
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UNFORGIVABLE->

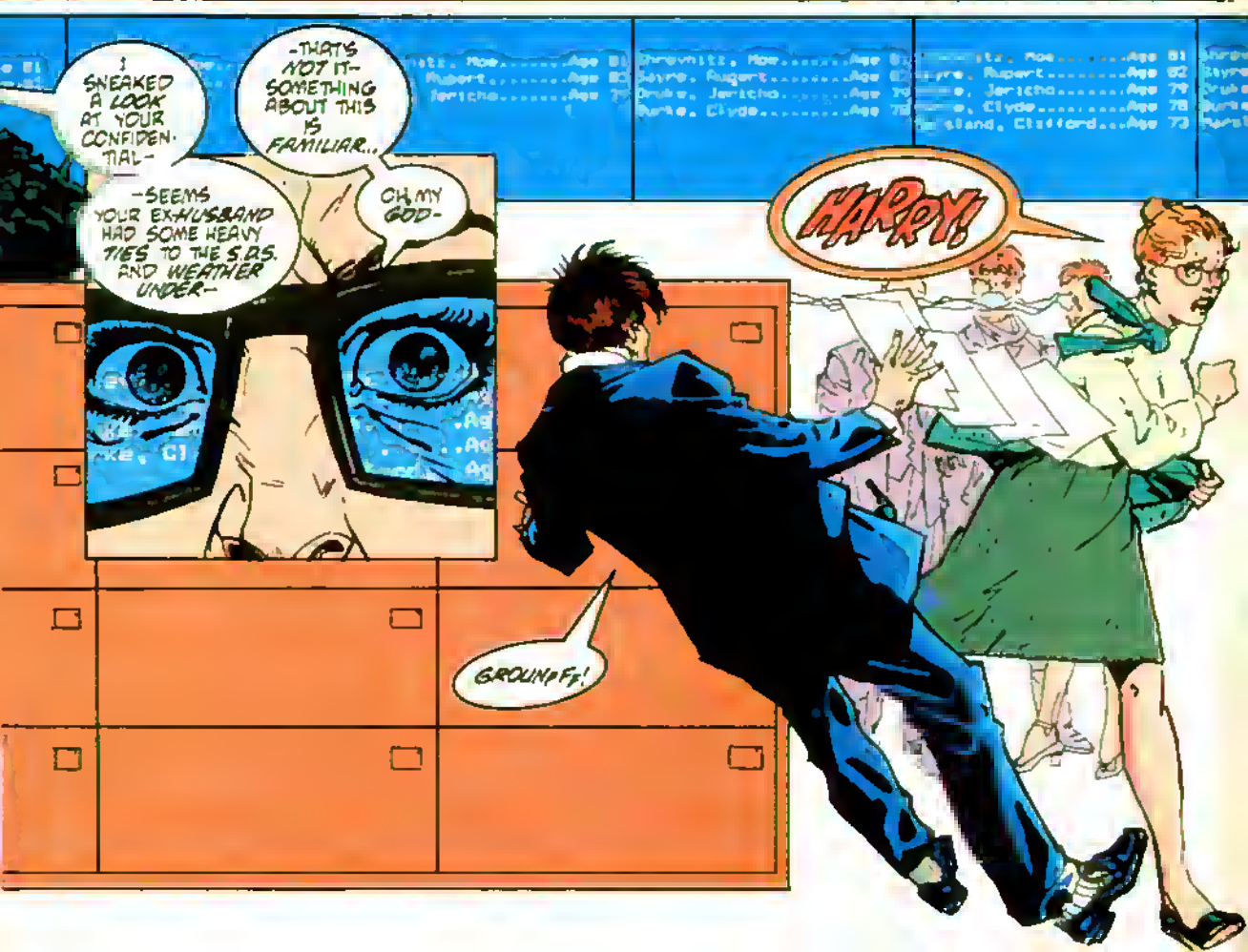
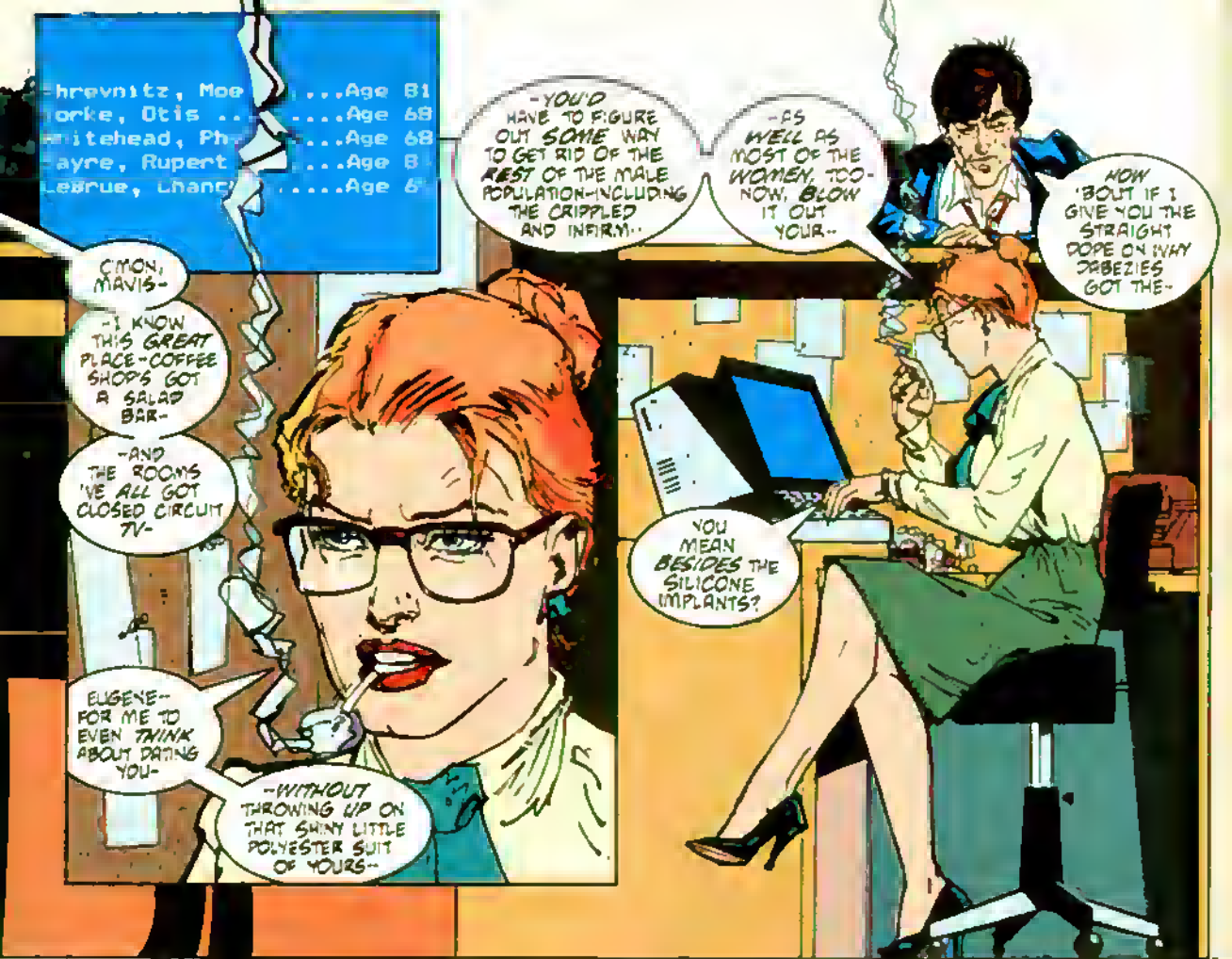


<-THAT YOU
SHOULD CHOOSE TO
CROSS MY HUMBLE
BRIDGE IS HONOR
AND PAYMENT
ENOUGH->

<-MAY
YOUR JOURNEY
BE A SAFE
ONE..>









WELL- THE SENATOR AND HIS PAIS LOOKED SATISFIED-

-SPECIALLY THAT ARAB GUY- THE PRINCE-

-PT BOSS SAYS HE DROPPED FIFTEEN K IN TWO CRAP THROWS--

YES- ONE OF THE DIVIDENDS OF CUSTOMERS LIKE THE PRINCE-

-IS THAT HE LOVES TO PISS AWAY HIS PEOPLES MONEY IN PUBLIC-

-RIGHT AFTER HE'S SPENT MOST OF IT IN PRIVATE.

SPEAKING OF DIVIDENDS-

-THE PRINCE'S COME DOWN WITH A MAJOR LEAGUE JOYES--

-WANTS TO BUY DEEDEE AND DIANA--

THE TWINS, EH- TELL YOU WHAT-

..LUDE 'EM BOTH UP. PACK THEIR BAGS-

-AND GIVE 'EM TO THE OLD BOY WITH MY COMPLIMENTS-



WOW- THAT'S PRETTY GENEROUS, PRES--

THE PRINCE HAS BEEN A MAJOR INVESTOR IN MAYROCK INTER- NATIONAL SINCE THE WAR--

-AND ANYWAY- DEEDEE'S BEEN A REAL PAIN IN THE ASS LATELY-

..I CAUGHT HER BITCHING ABOUT BUSTING OUT AND SELLING HER STORY HERE AS A MOVIE OF THE WEEK--

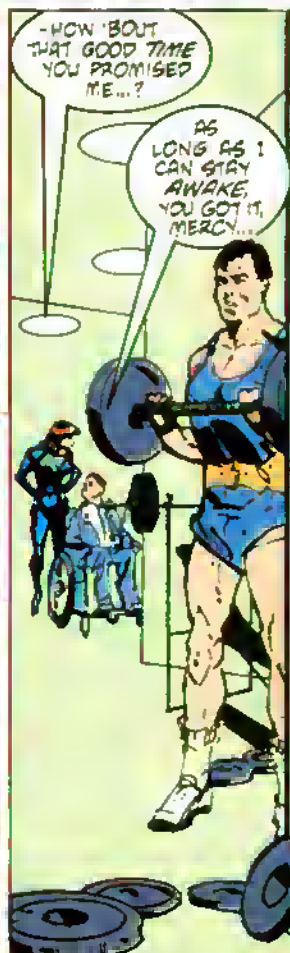
RIGHT.



-SHIPPING HER AND HER SISTER TO AFGHANISTAN- BANANASTAN IS A LOT MORE HUMANE THAN TURNING HER INTO DOGFOOD--

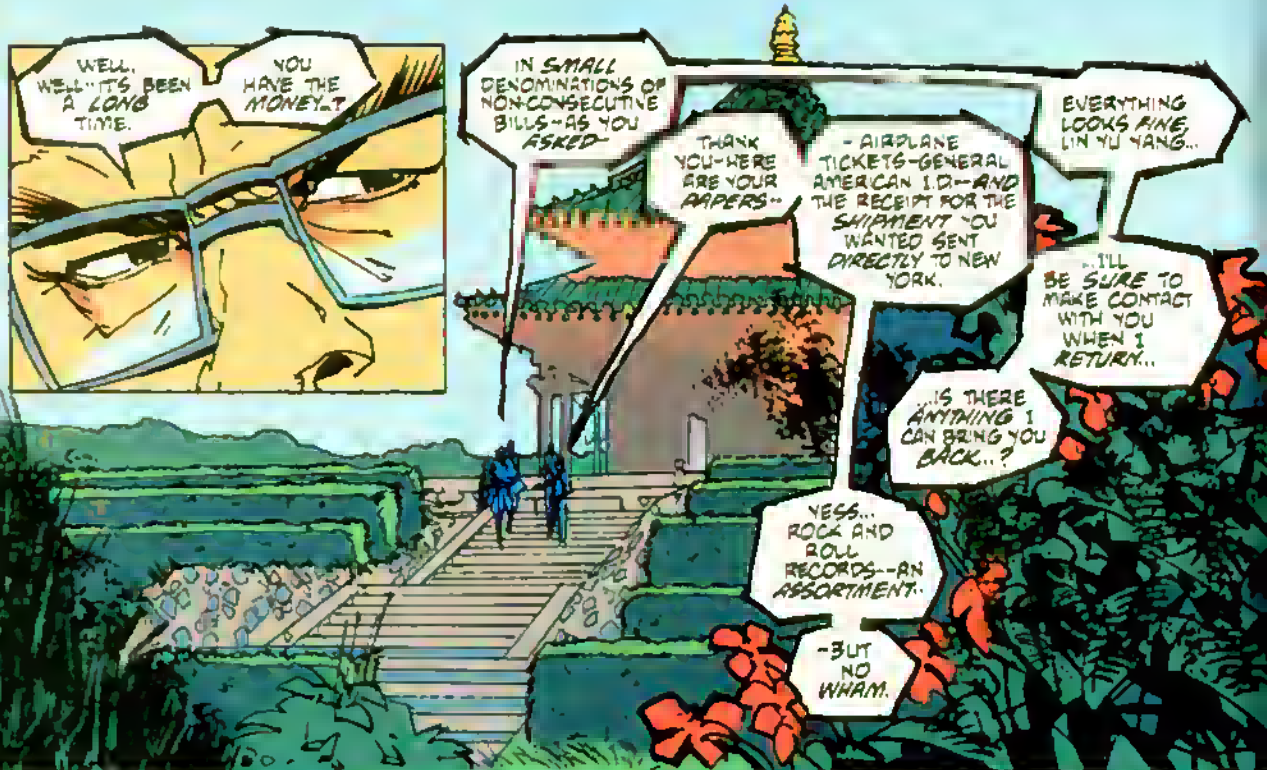
OOOOOH (SHUDDER)

PRESTON MAYROCK- YOU'RE GETTING ME CRAZY-



-HOW 'BOUT THAT GOOD TIME YOU PROMISED ME...?

AS LONG AS I CAN STAY AWAKE, YOU GOT IT, MERCY...



WELL... IT'S BEEN A LONG TIME.

YOU HAVE THE MONEY...?

IN SMALL DENOMINATIONS OF NON-CONSECUTIVE BILLS--AS YOU ASKED--

THANK YOU--HERE ARE YOUR PAPERS--

--AIRPLANE TICKETS--GENERAL AMERICAN I.D.--AND THE RECEIPT FOR THE SHIPMENT YOU WANTED SENT DIRECTLY TO NEW YORK.

EVERYTHING LOOKS FINE, LIN YU YANG...

...I'LL BE SURE TO MAKE CONTACT WITH YOU WHEN I RETURN...

IS THERE ANYTHING I CAN BRING YOU BACK...?

YESS... ROCK AND ROLL RECORDS--AN ASSORTMENT.

--BUT NO WHAM.



A SAFE JOURNEY...

WHAT IS "WHAM" HSU-TEI?

?

BETTER STILL-- WHAT IS ROCK AND ROLL?



YOU SEEM PERPLEXED, LIN YU YANG--

NOT PERPLEXED--SURPRISED.



WITH ALL THE AMERICAN CURRENCY THAT PASSES THROUGH OUR HANDS...

...I DON'T THINK I'VE EVER SEEN SO MANY DATED BEFORE THE REVOLUTION.



I THINK HE'S KIND OF CUTE--

I THINK IT'S DISGUSTING--

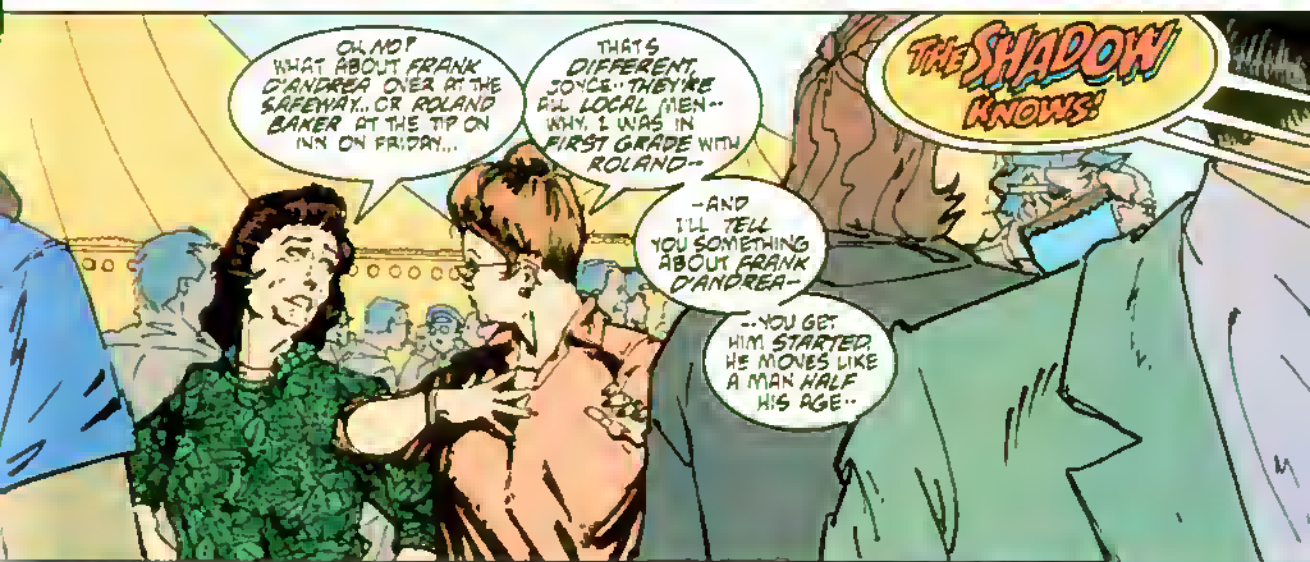
-DID YOU SEE THE MOONY EYES SHE WAS MAKING AT--

OH, COME OFF IT, JUDY--STOP PLAYING BORN-AGAIN VIRGIN. VIN'S BEEN A WIDOW FOR TWO YEARS-- SHE'S--

ONE MORE TIME, NOW, FOLKS--

"WHO KNOWS WHAT EVIL LURKS IN THE HEARTS OF MEN?"

MY WALTER'S BEEN DEAD FOR TEN-- AND YOU DON'T SEE ME THROWING MYSELF AT EVERY MAN THAT CROSSES MY--



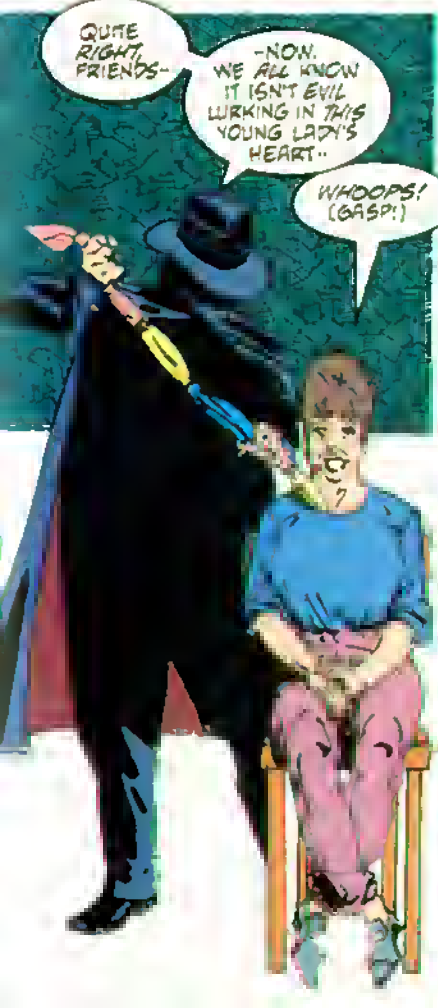
OH, NO? WHAT ABOUT FRANK D'ANDREA OVER AT THE SAFEWAY... OR ROLAND BAKER AT THE TIP ON INN ON FRIDAY...

THAT'S DIFFERENT, JOYCE-- THEY'RE ALL LOCAL MEN-- WHY, I WAS IN FIRST GRADE WITH ROLAND--

THE SHADOW KNOWS!

-AND I'LL TELL YOU SOMETHING ABOUT FRANK D'ANDREA--

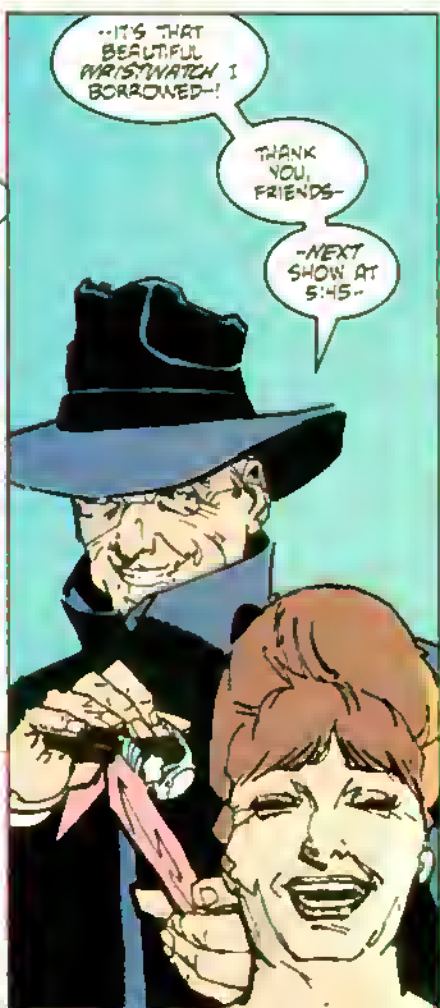
-YOU GET HIM STARTED, HE MOVES LIKE A MAN HALF HIS AGE--



QUITE RIGHT, FRIENDS--

-NOW, WE ALL KNOW IT ISN'T EVIL LURKING IN THIS YOUNG LADY'S HEART--

WHOOOPS! (GASP!)



--IT'S THAT BEAUTIFUL WRISTWATCH I BORROWED--!

THANK YOU, FRIENDS--

-NEXT SHOW AT 5:45--



-WHICH ENDS AT 6:30--

-THINK I COULD PERSUADE YOU TO JOIN ME FOR AN INTIMATE LITTLE SUPPER?

THAT'S
RIGHT.
HARRY
VINCENT

HOCHWEISER-
YOU KNOW--THE
PRIVATE DICK-
SAYS HE'S AT SOME
FAIR NEAR PASSAIC-
COOL..

YEAH..
WE GOT THE
LAUNCHER
TODAY..

-IT'S
REALLY SCARY
LOOKING--
AND SO
EXPENSIVE-

Every tongue in tinseltown is
wagging about that newest couple
on the cafe scene--gadabout town
Lemont Cranston and stunning
Warner starlet 101 Luano.

-PRES
SAYS IT'LL END
UP COSTING US
JUST OVER 600K
-YEAH.. I
KNOW..

- IT'S
GONNA BE
REALLY SOME
THING HAVING
AN ATO..

-HUN?

FAST
ASLEEP-
FELL OUT
AN HOUR
AGO..

-OH NO..
IT'S GREAT..
THAT'S WHAT I
FORGOT TO TELL
YOU-

-YOU
KNOW HOW-
EVEN AFTER ALL
THE HORMONES
AND PHYSICAL
THERAPY AND JUNK-

-WE
COULDN'T-LIKE
YOU KNOW-DO
IT ANYMORE.
Y'KNOW?

AND
THEN WE
BROUGHT PRESTON
JR. HERE FROM
THE RANCH..

-AND
WE USED
TELEKIN-
TELEK-
RIGHT-

-TELEKINISM-TO PUT HIS MIND
INTO JR'S BODY--YEAH-LIKE WHIE
AND LESTER, ONLY NOT A
VOICE-

-WELL, I JUST
FOUND OUT-

-THAT
FOR WHAT
I NEED PRES
JUNIOR
FOR-

-I DON'T
NEED PRES
SENIOR TO THROW
HIS MIND
ANYWHERE-

-YOU
GOT
IT-

EITHER
KEEP YOUR
VOICE DOWN,
CHING YAO CHANG--
OR GO TO
SLEEP.

-AND
IF YOU
MUST
TALK--
ENGLISH!

YES,
YING
KO.

USUALLY...
WHAT WAS
THAT WE
ATE?

THE
RED STUFF
OR THE
BEIGE
STUFF?

THE
RED--

MANICOTTI--
I THINK
THEY CALLED
IT.

WHO'D
HAVE THOUGHT
THAT HUMAN
HANDS--

-COULD
MAKE SUCH
AN ABOMINATION
FROM SUCH
HARMLESS
INGREDIENTS--

IT IS
FRIGHTENING--

WE
PROMISED
YING KO THAT
WHEN WE LANDED
IN NEW YORK WE
WOULD SPEAK
LIKE NATIVES--

"BUT
IF THIS IS
THE SORT OF
FOOD WE CAN
EXPECT--

-WE
CAN'T ASK
US TO EAT LIKE
NATIVES,
TOO...?"

NOT
TO WORRY--
WE WARNED
ME ABOUT
THIS--

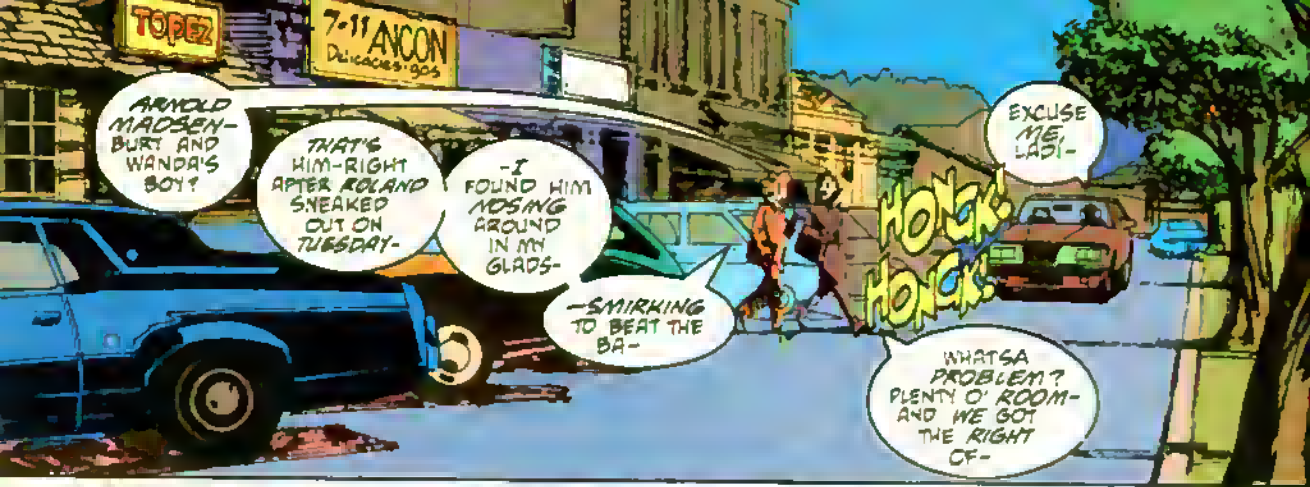
-BEFORE WE LEFT, YING KO
EXPLAINED THAT AIRLINE FOOD
IS THE NATIONAL CUISINE OF
ENGLAND--

-AND
SINCE WE ARE
NOT GOING
THERE, WE
NEED NOT BE
CONCERNED

ANOTHER
WORD FROM
EITHER OF YOU,
AND YOU'LL BE
LIVING ON THAT
BEIGE AND RED
STUFF FOR
GOOD--

-NOW
GO TO
SLEEP.

YES,
YING
KO.



ARNOLD
MADSEN-
BURT AND
WANDA'S
BOY?

THAT'S
HIM-RIGHT
AFTER ROLAND
SNEAKED
OUT ON
TUESDAY-

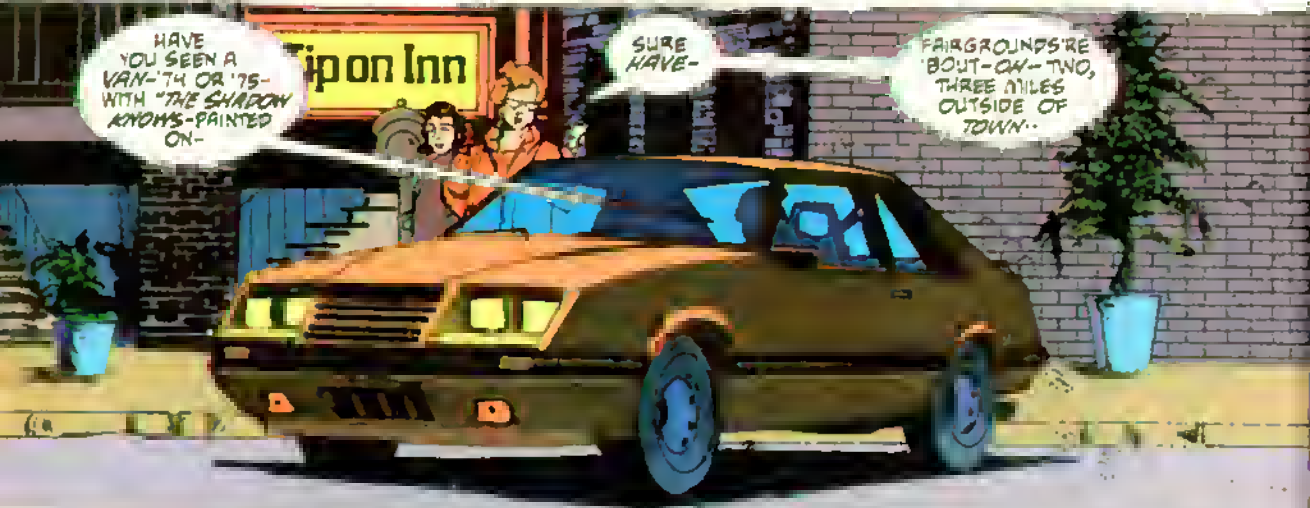
-I
FOUND HIM
MOSSING
AROUND
IN MY
GLASS-

-SMIRKING
TO BEAT THE
BA-

EXCUSE
ME,
LADI-

HONK!
HONK!

WHATSA
PROBLEM?
PLENTY O' ROOM-
AND WE GOT
THE RIGHT
CF-



HAVE
YOU SEEN A
VAN-74 OR '75-
WITH "THE SHADOW
KNOWS-PAINTED
ON-

Tipon Inn

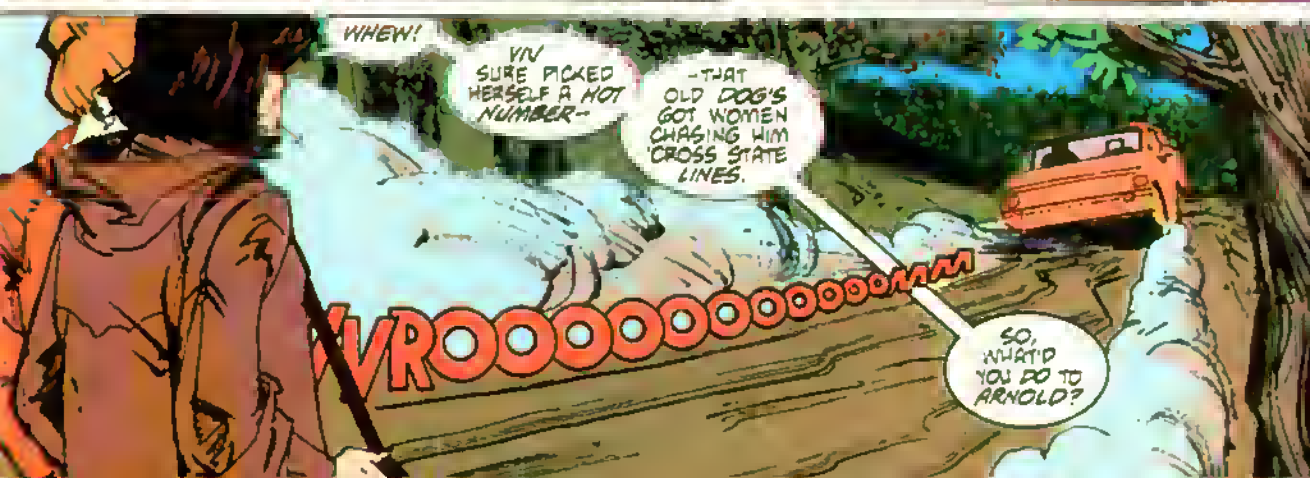
SURE
HAVE-

FAIRGROUNDS'RE
'BOUT-ON-TWO,
THREE MILES
OUTSIDE OF
TOWN-



..BACK
O' THAT'S
A BG
MEADOW-

..THAT'S
WHERE IT'S
PAR-



WHEW!

VIV
SURE PICKED
HERSELF A HOT
NUMBER-

-THAT
OLD DOG'S
GOT WOMEN
CHASING HIM
'CROSS STATE
LINES.

WVROOOOOOOOOOOOOOMMM

SO,
WHAT'D
YOU DO TO
ARNOLD?



HARRY,
THAT WAS
LUCIOUS!

I'VE LIVED
IN THIS TOWN ALL MY
LIFE--

-AND I'VE
NEVER ONCE BEEN IN
THAT PLACE.

I'VE
KNOWN
LUTHER
FOR OVER
40
YEARS.



-TWO
TOFFEE NUT
CRUNCH,
PLEASE-

--MAKES THE
BEST BARBECUE IN
THE LOWER 48--

-SOMETIMES
TAKES A STRANGER TO
SHOW YOU SOMETHING YOU
KNEW WAS THERE ALL
ALONG-

-HERE
YOU
GO-



OUCH--
THIS'S HARD AS A
ROCK--MY DENTU--
WELL--

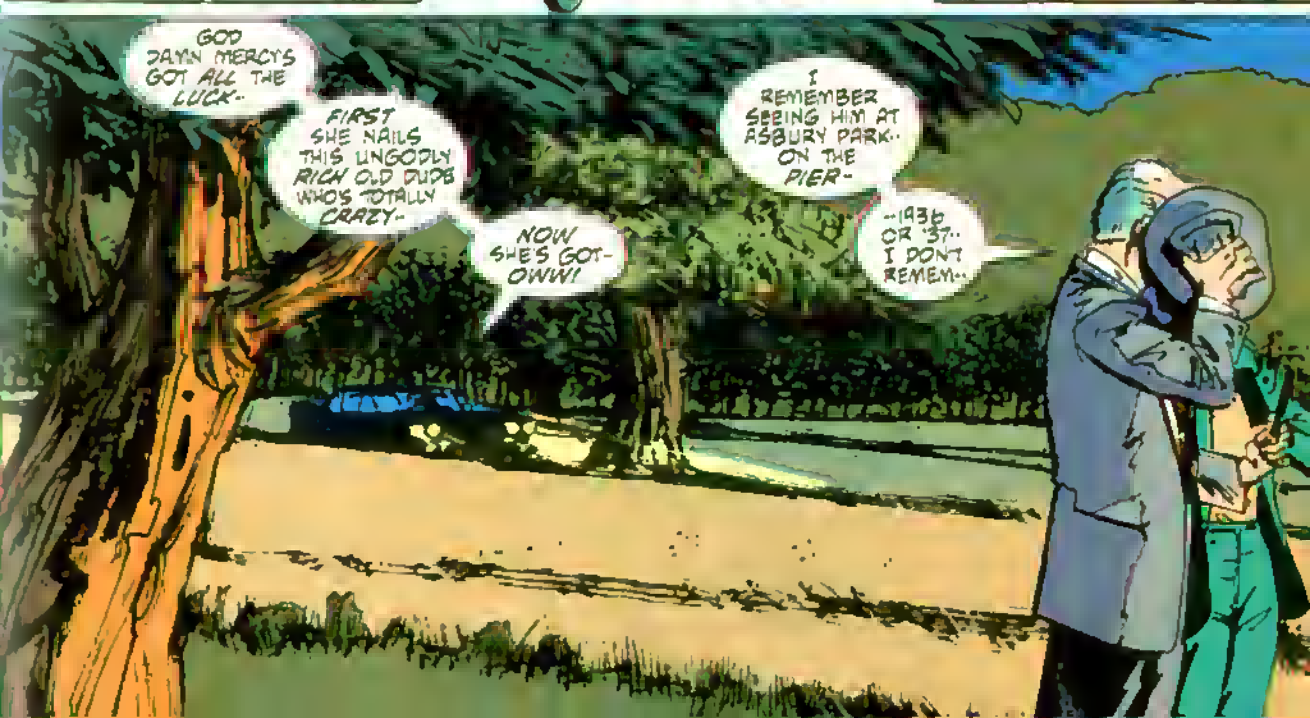
WHY
DON'T WE LET
THESE POPS GET
TEMPERED TO THEIR
FULLEST FLAVOR
CONSISTENCY BACK
IN MY VAN--

-I'VE GOT
A TERRIFIC
TAPE DECK--

--AND
WHEN'S THE
LAST TIME YOU
HEARD "I'LL NEVER
GET STARTED"?

BY
BUNNY
BERRIGAN
...?

WHO
ELSE...?



GOD
DAMN MERCY'S
GOT ALL THE
LUCK--

FIRST
SHE NAILS
THIS UNGODLY
RICH OLD DUDE
WHO'S TOTALLY
CRAZY--

NOW
SHE'S GOT--
OWW!

I
REMEMBER
SEEING HIM AT
ASBURY PARK--
ON THE
PIER--

--1936
OR '37--
I DON'T
REMEM--



WHAT IS YOUR PROBLEM?

MY FINGER, DAMNIT- I CAUGHT IT IN-

LET ME HAVE THAT-

CHRIST-- THAT HURTS--

SO-- LIKE IS SAYING--

-NOW, MAYROCK'S SON IS STAYING WITH THEM, RIGHT--

-AN' HE'S LIKE SOME STUPID RETARD THAT THE OLD FART CONTROLS, LIKE, BY HYPNOSIS AND JUNK-- LIKE, TELEPATHY, RIGHT...?

TELEKINESIS, CHUCKLEHEAD-- YOU KNOW--

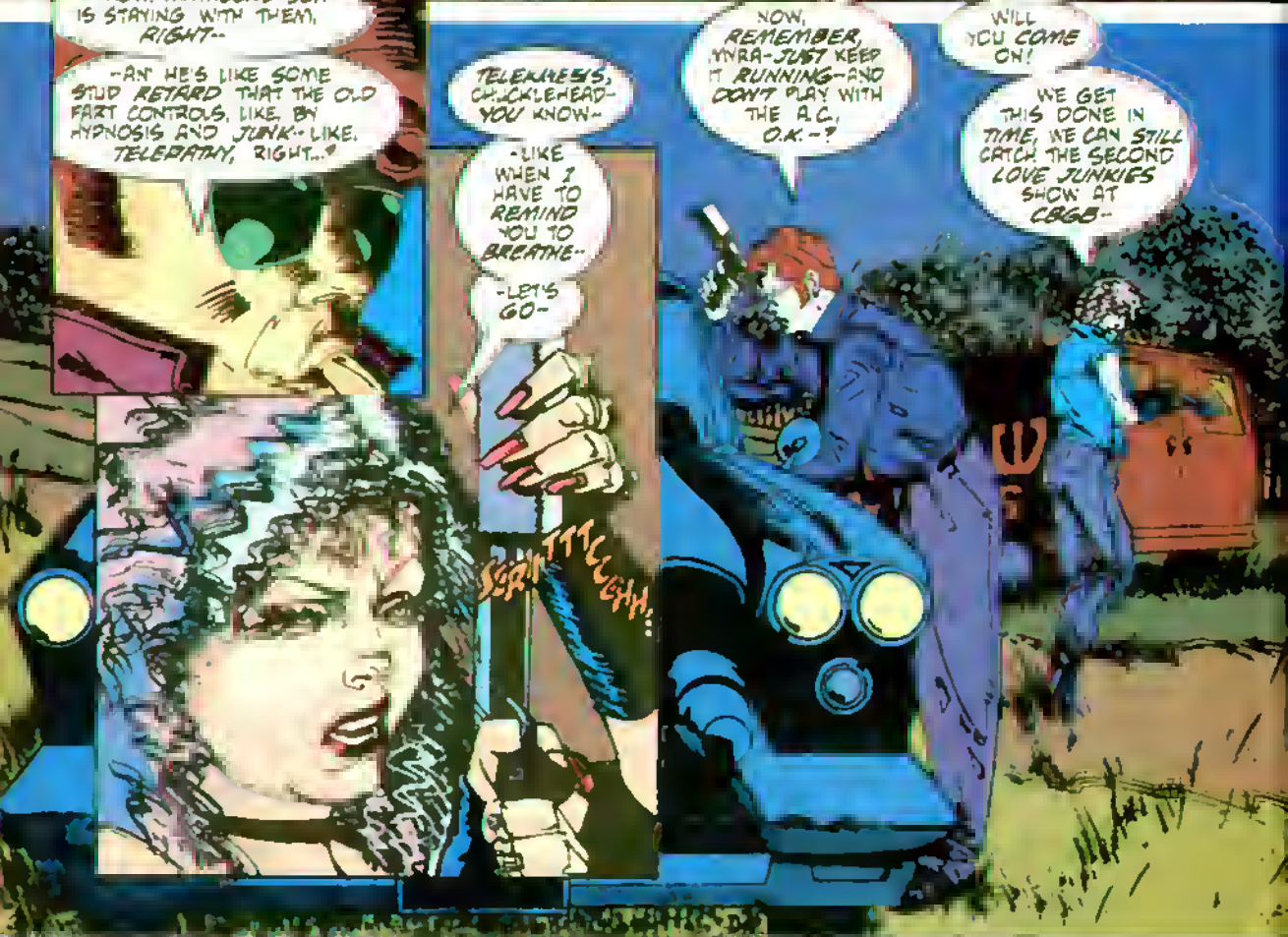
-LIKE WHEN I HAVE TO REMIND YOU TO BREATHE--

-LET'S GO--

NOW, REMEMBER, WYRA-- JUST KEEP IT RUNNING-- AND DON'T PLAY WITH THE A.C., O.K.--?

WILL YOU COME ON!

WE GET THIS DONE IN TIME, WE CAN STILL CATCH THE SECOND LOVE JUNKIES SHOW AT 800--



SCREEEECH!!



HEY-- DO YOU SEE THOSE TWO WHEELERS CHEWING EACH OTHER'S FACE-GROSSITOSIS?

IF I EVER GET THAT OLD, KILL ME FIRST, HUH, EVA--

YOU GOT NOTHING TO WORRY ABOUT THERE, LARRY--

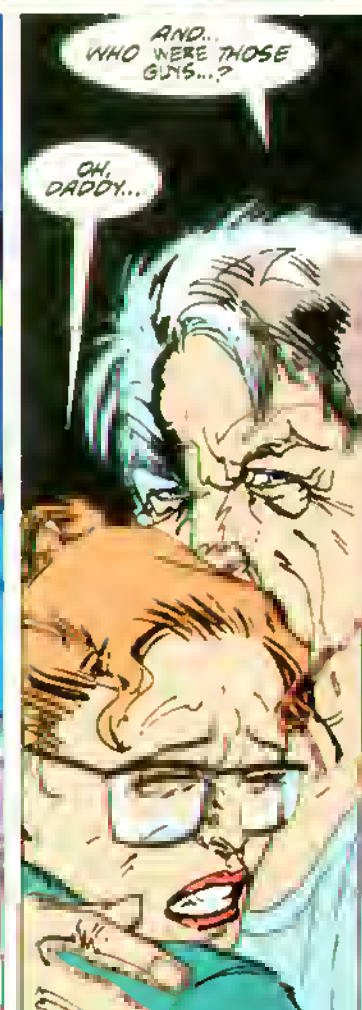
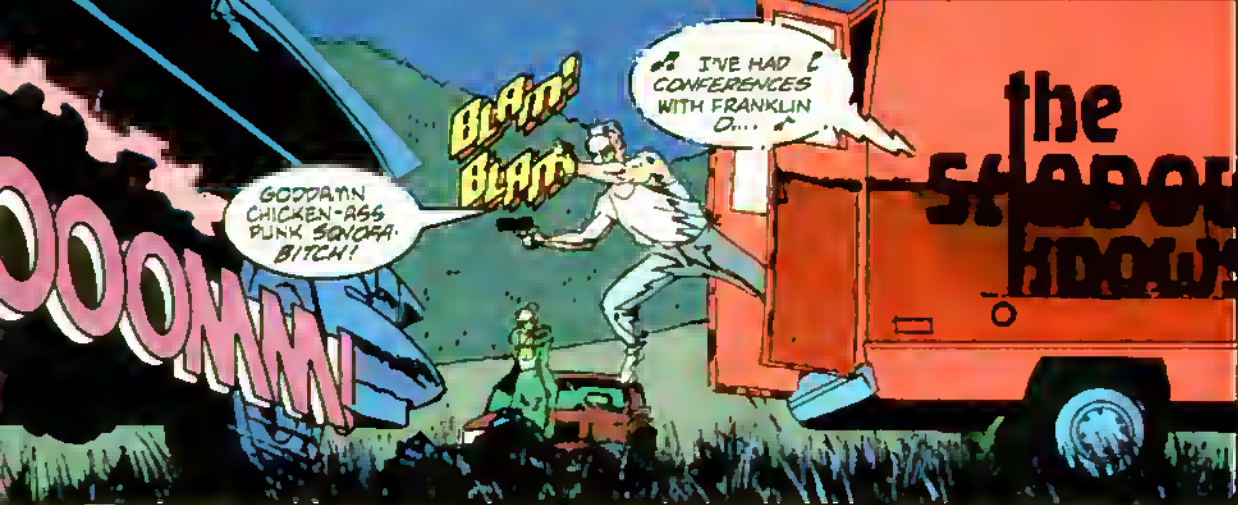
[...AND THE SOUTH POLE MAY BE CHARTED... STILL I'LL NEVER GET STARTED WITH YOU...]

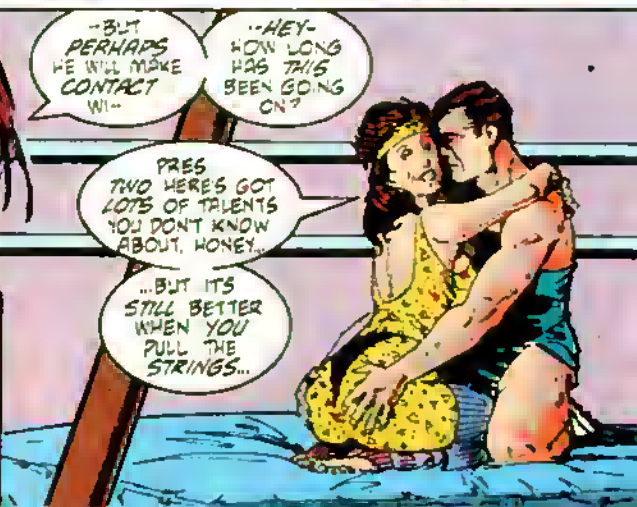
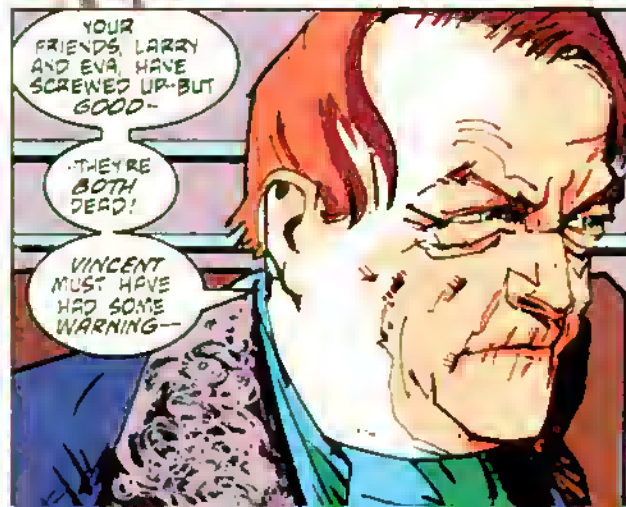
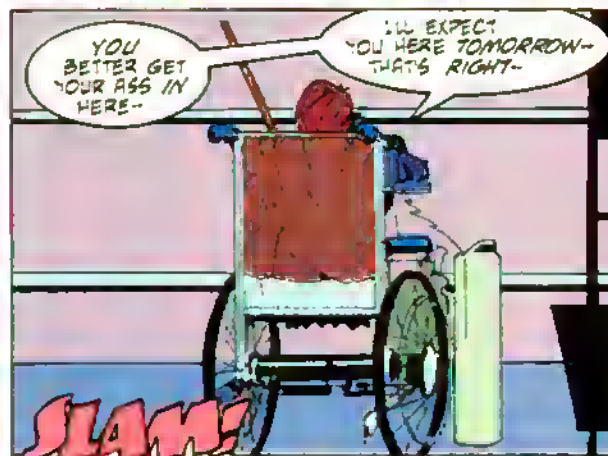
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BLAM! BLAM! BLAM! BLAM!







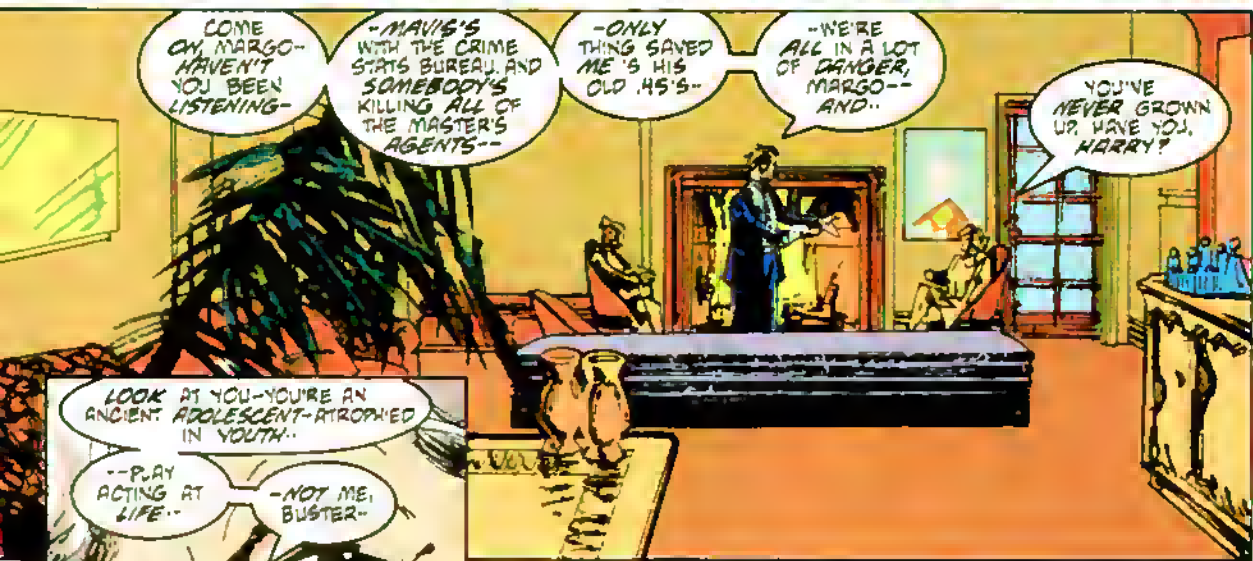


SO
THAT'S THE
STORY, MRS.
LANE--

THAT'S
MRS. FORSYTHE--
MARILYN
FORSYTHE--

--AND
I STILL DON'T
KNOW WHAT YOU
WANT--

--OR
WHY YOU'VE
COME
HERE--



COME
ON, MARGO--
HAVEN'T
YOU BEEN
LISTENING--

--MAVIS'S
WITH THE CRIME
STATS BUREAU AND
SOMEBODY'S
KILLING ALL OF
THE MASTER'S
AGENTS--

--ONLY
THING SAVED
ME 'S HIS
OLD .45'S--

--WE'RE
ALL IN A LOT
OF DANGER,
MARGO--
AND--

YOU'VE
NEVER GROWN
UP, HAVE YOU,
HARRY?

LOOK AT YOU--YOU'RE AN
ANCIENT ADOLESCENT-ATROPHIED
IN YOUTH--

--PLAY
ACTING AT
LIFE--

--NOT ME,
BUSTER--



--THAT
WAS ANOTHER
PERSON--
RUNNING AROUND
WITH YOU AND
THE OTHERS--

--WHEN
THAT BA-HE DISAPPEARED
IN '48--WITHOUT EVEN A
GOOD-BYE--

--I
FELL
APART--



IT TOOK
A GOOD AND DECENT
MAN--THE LATE DR.
FORSYTHE--TO PUT ME
BACK TOGETHER--

...I REFUSE
TO GET SUCKED
INTO THAT
MIAELSTROM
OF VIOLENCE
AND--

I'M
SURE MOE
AND JERICO
AND THE OTHERS
FELT THE SAME
WAY--







--IT'S
BEEN AN
AWFULLY
LONG
TIME.

next:
CRIME...
and
PUNISHMENT